GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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NCRB Data on Road Crashes
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB) has released any report on road crashes recently, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the said report as per which there is a reported rise in road accidents on Expressways due to over speeding and rash driving and at least 43 children die in road accidents across the country each day;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the number of children killed during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the existing rules under Central Motor Vehicles Act have provisions to address the safety of children, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government has introduced/proposes to introduce any amendment to the said act incorporating stringent punishment for traffic offences and provisions for ensuring safety of childrer, if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said amendment is likely to be implemented and if not the reasons therefor; and

(f) the other corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to rectify stretches where fatal accidents often happen and to install immediate cautionary signals on National Highways?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
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(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (c) As per report of National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB), the details of road accidents on expressways during 2014 and 2015 and number of persons injured, persons died and number of children died due to road accidents during 2013 to 2015, State/UT-wise, is at Annexure I and Annexure II respectively.

(d) Rule 25 (7) of Central Motor Vehicle Rules (CMVR), 1989 envisage that the all the vehicles of category M-1 (excluding transport vehicle and special purpose vehicles) manufactured on and after 1st April 2015 shall have a provision for installation of at least one category of child restraint system for all weight groups on at least one of the seating positions. Besides, the Ministry has also been issuing the advisories to States / UTs from time to time for strict compliance of provisions of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and CMVR 1989.

(e) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has introduced Motor Vehicle Amendment Bill, 2016 in the Lok Sabha in August 2016. The bill inter alia includes the provision of enhancement of various types of penalties for traffic offences.

(f) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has taken up several measures like identification and rectification of road accident black spots on National Highways including installation of immediate cautionary measures at these spots. Carrying out road safety audits on National Highways stretches and addressing the safety concerns are also implemented to rectify the accident prone locations.